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## **REMARKS**

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312, this amendment is being filed along with the issue fee. Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be made without withdrawing the application from issue.

Claims 1 and 36 are currently being amended. On reviewing allowed claims 1 and 36, it was noted that the parenthetical expression following "drying" might be misinterpreted as referring to the drying. Of course it is not the drying that removes the sensorially active substances. See, for example, claims 1 and 24 in the substitute specification. The amendment is being offered to avoid a misunderstanding of English grammar.

This amendment changes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

Respectfully submitted,

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